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PRODUCTION OF MOONG
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the per hectare production of Moong in India as compared to per hectare production in Australia;

(b) the reasons for less production of Moong per hectare in India; and

(c) the steps proposed to promote this healthy grain in the country?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)
(a): The per hectare production of Moong in India is 384 kg. during 1998-99 ascompared to per hectare production of 1000 kg. in Australia.

(b): Pulses including Moong are raised under rainfed conditions on marginal and sub- marginal lands which are poor in fertility and therefore, the productivity of Moong is less in our country.

(c): For increasing the production & productivity of pulses including moong, Governmentof India has brought pulses under the ambit of Technology Mission on Oilseeds in 1990. The production of pulses including moong is being encouraged under the Centrally Sponsored Scheme of National Pulses Development Project (NPDP) by way of use ofimproved varieties and adoption of improved production and protection technologies in the farmer`s field to improve their productivity. Besides this, micro irrigation through sprinkler sets is also promoted under the scheme of NPDP for providing life saving irrigation toenhance the productivity of pulses including moong.